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have always felt responsible for Peri having been paired off with Yrcanos. During production of the last episode of The Trial of a Time Lord | asked whether Peri's spectacular demise/metamorphosis had been "real" or another fabrication by the Valeyard, via the evidently easily corruptible matrix repository. (If all this is incomprehensible, I apologise and recommend a viewing of my entire last season as the Doctor—1 know how to sell videotapes!) I have every reason to believe that my question caused a re-appraisal of the original plan to do the unthinkable and kill off one of the most popular companions ever. At any rate, two days later a re-write appeared in which the Doctor was assured that his nubile companion was alive and well, having been whisked off her feet and Thoros Reta by the warrier king Variance and Variance.

Thoros Beta by the warrior king Yrcanos and to whom she was, very decorously, married. This betel and unexpected announcement prompted an affectionate "Vroomink" from the Doctor, (You had to be there.)

Given the nature of the two characters involved it is a marriage which might be considered at the very least, surprising and, frankly, totally mappropriate. However, one has to look no further than one's own circle of friends to find similar matches that work amazingly well and conversely ideal pairings that flounder at the first lence.

It is, I suppose, because of this feeling of responsibility that when Doctor Who Magazine editor Gary Russell

suggested that I might like to write a fulllength story for Marvel UK featuring "my"

Doctor that I decided to return to Krontep and see how Queen Perpuguilliam Brown was faring. To find out, for instance, whether Yrcanos was dressed in skin-tight fluorescent Lycra or indeed if Peri had become a latter-day Boadecia. Then I thought it might be an intrusion, both into their Chopefully) domestic bliss and also into the individual and fevered imagination of the reader, so I decided to skip a couple of generations and see what the mixture of those very different genetic stock might produce.

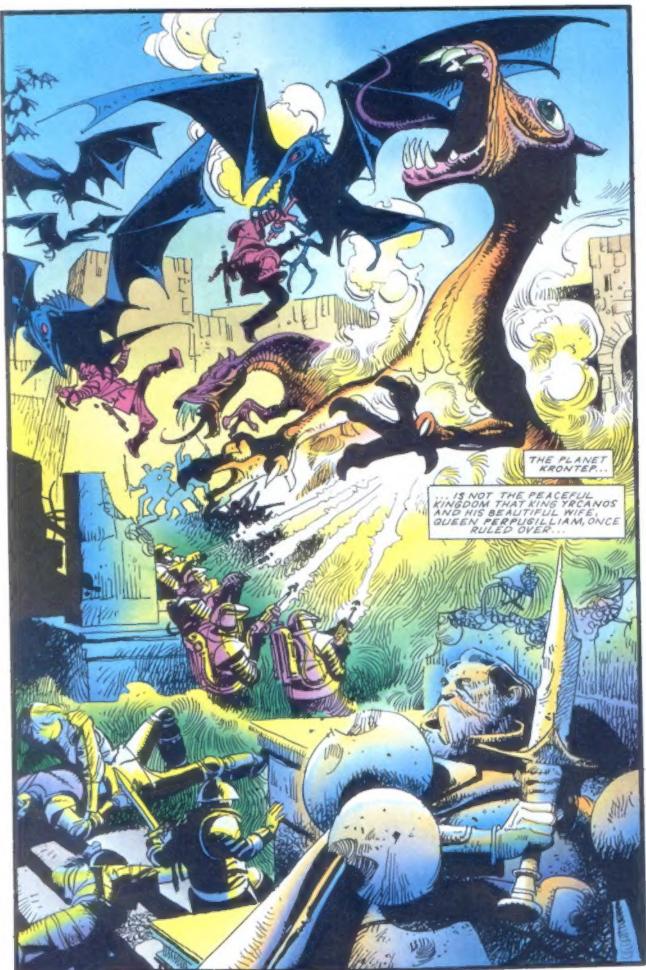
The very real pleasure I had in writing the story was only matched by my delight in seeing how Barrie Mitchell seemed to have a praeternatural grasp of what I had in mind in terms of the look of Krontep, the

Wilderness and its occupants. That he managed to add his own creative touches to my story and dialogue was a delightful homes. I also owe him a great thank you for imaginatively solving one problem for me when I failed to keep an accurate eye on the development of a particular storyline. It is a collaborative process which I have much enjoyed and look forward to repeating in tuture.

It was also a bonus to be allowed to include Frobisher in the story. I imagine that other writers would agree that he basically dictates his own story. He took over and I observed, like a good diarist, keeping accurate records of what he said and did.

My thanks to Gary Russell for having the genius to commission me to write for Marvel UK and to Mike Hobson for his vision in realising that it simply had to be in colour. If you enjoy reading the story as much as I enjoyed telling it with Barrie, then we II all be happy!

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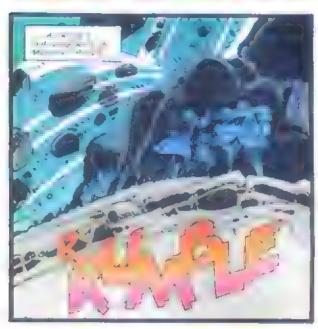
















































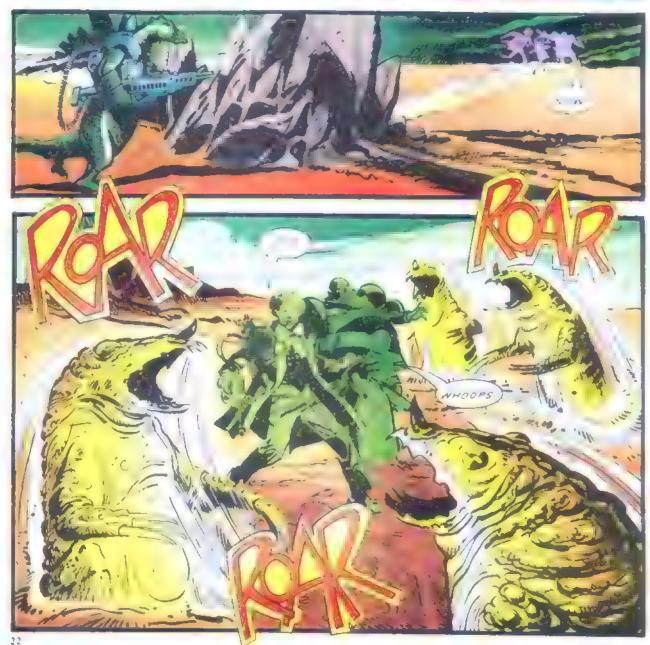












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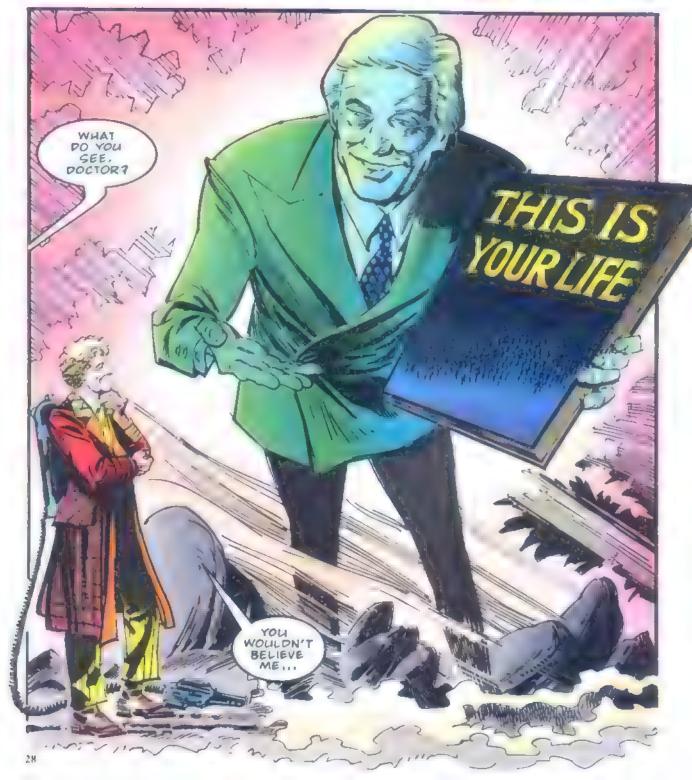














































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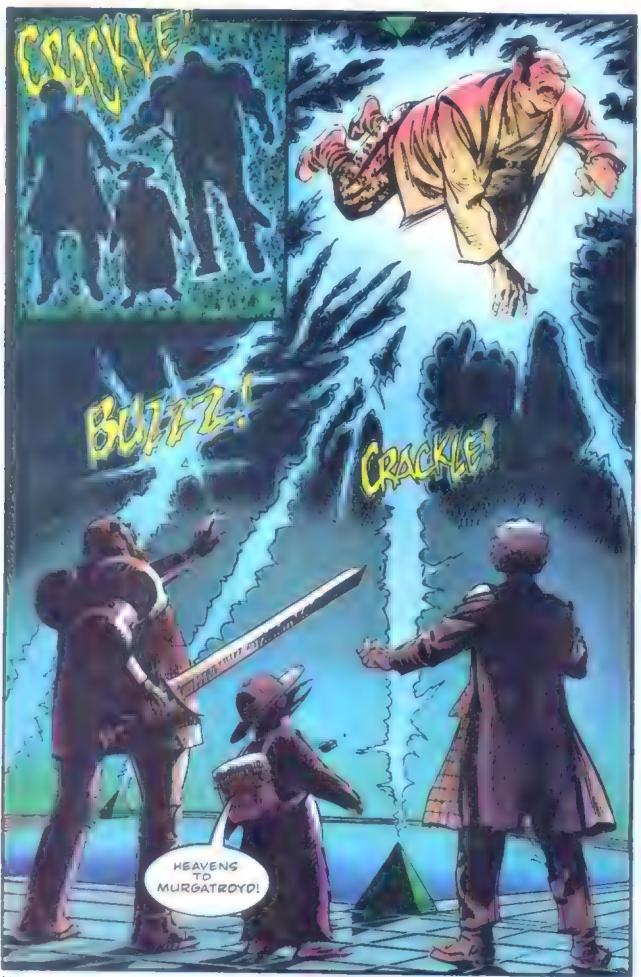
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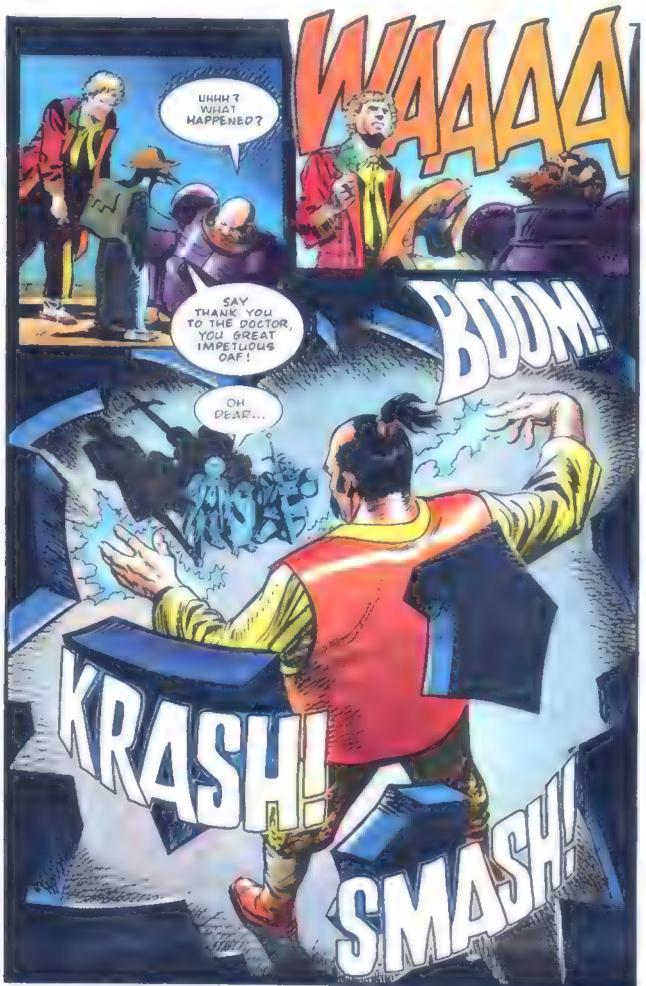






















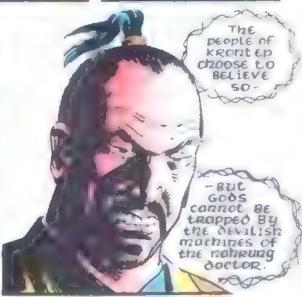
















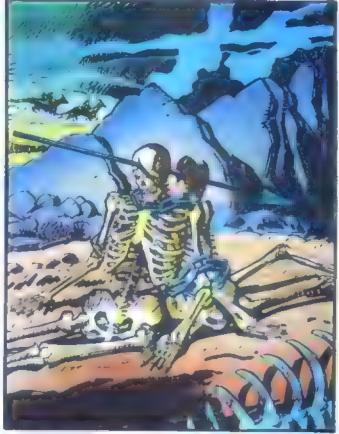




















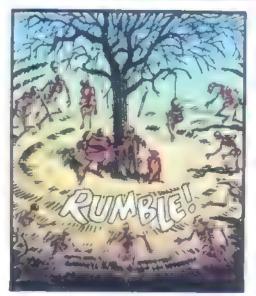










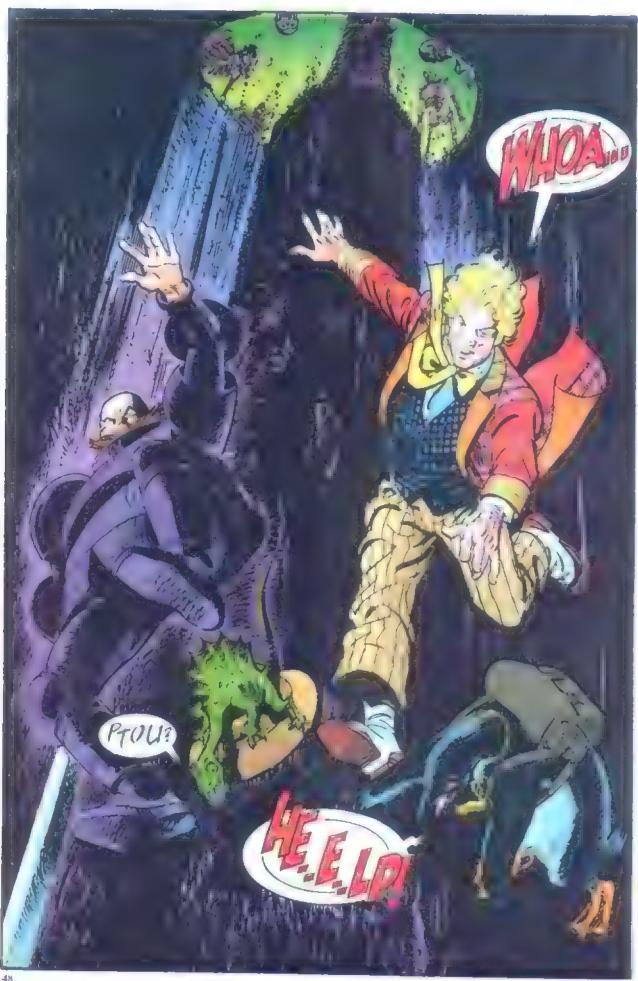


























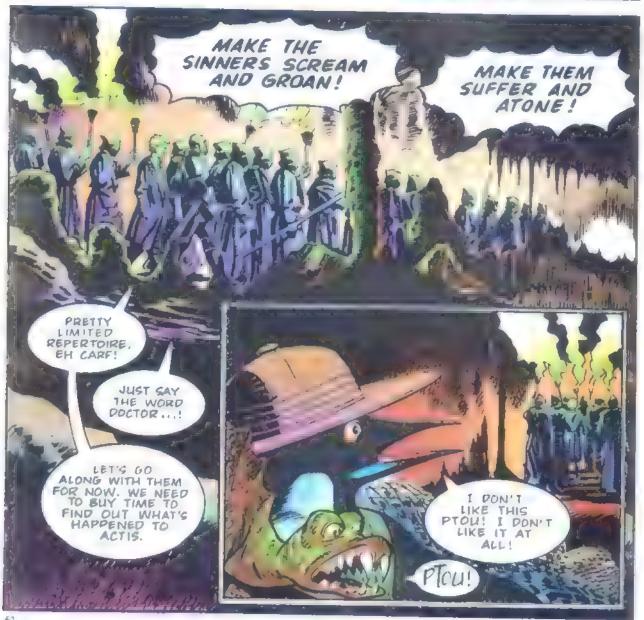
















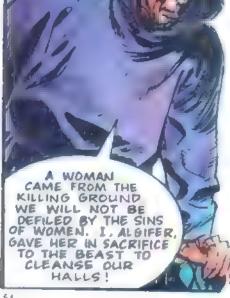




























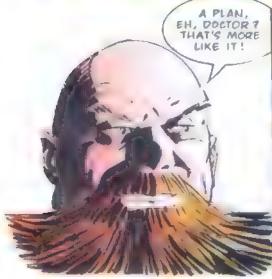








































































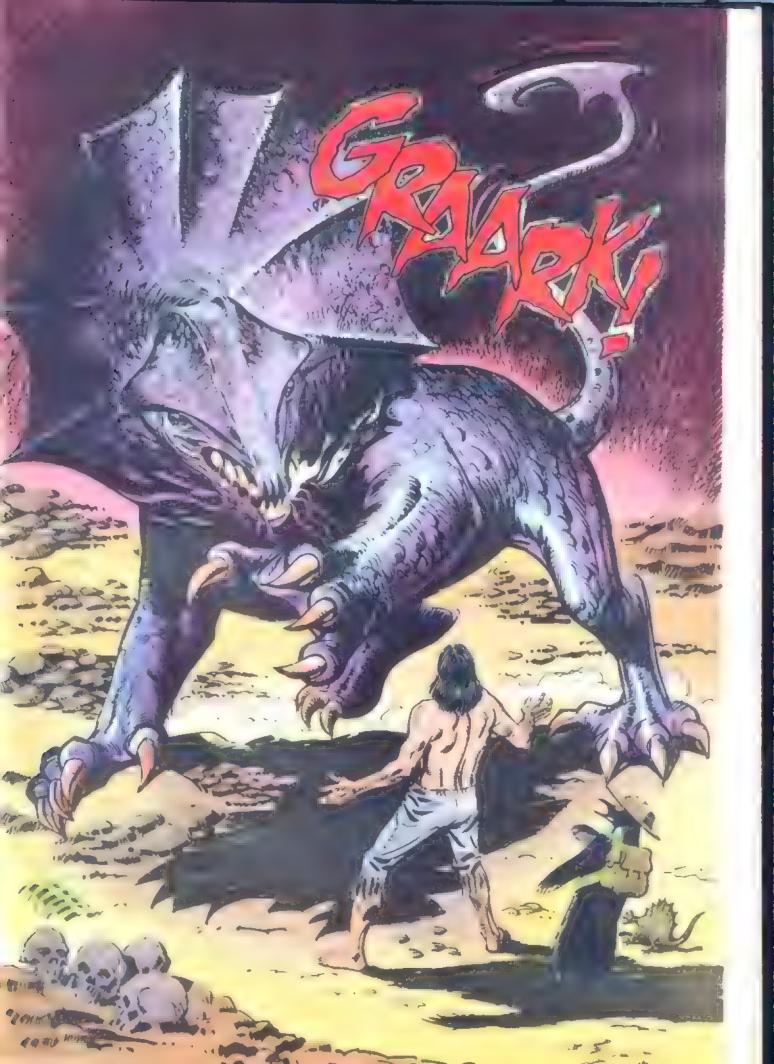






















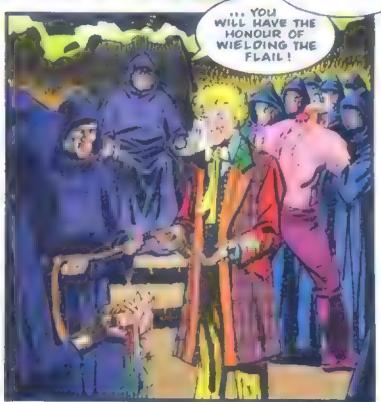












































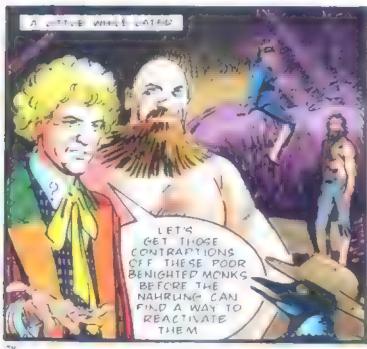












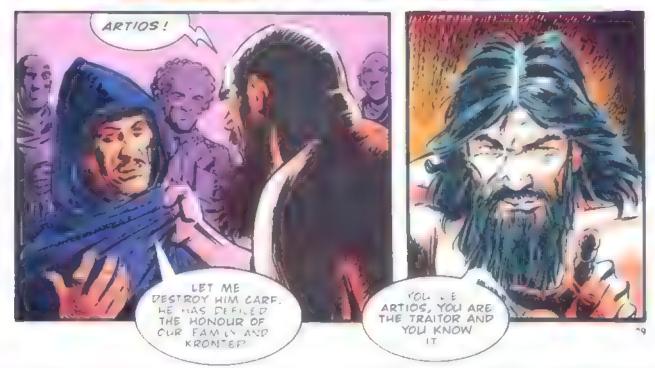




















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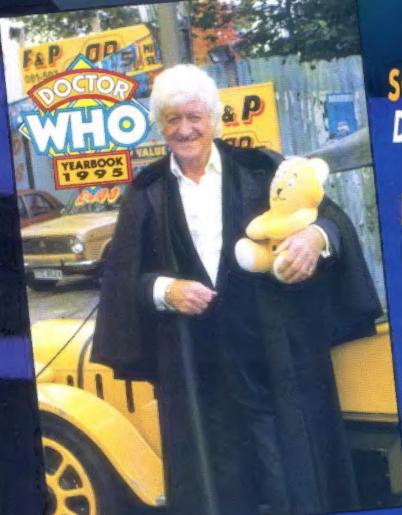








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